



General Assembly

***Proposed Substitute  
Bill No. 5818***

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***AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUMMER SAVER REWARDS PROGRAM.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 119 of public act 07-242 is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) For the calendar year [2007] 2008, each electric distribution  
4 company shall offer an electricity conservation incentive program to its  
5 residential customers. Said program shall compare electricity usage  
6 during the period beginning on June 1, [2007] 2008, and ending on  
7 August 31, [2007] 2008, and during the same period in [2006] 2007 and  
8 give residential customers a conservation incentive.

9 (b) Electric distribution companies shall issue credits to residential  
10 customers on the electricity bill that is presented on or after November  
11 1, [2007] 2008, and shall calculate said credits as follows: (1) Any  
12 residential customer who uses at least ten per cent less electricity  
13 during the [2007] 2008 period shall earn a credit equal to ten per cent of

the billed generation charges for usage from June 1, [2007] 2008, to August 31, [2007] 2008, inclusive; (2) any residential customer who uses at least fifteen per cent less electricity during the [2007] 2008 period shall earn a credit equal to fifteen per cent of the billed generation charges for usage from June 1, [2007] 2008, to August 31, [2007] 2008, inclusive; and (3) any residential customer who uses at least twenty per cent less electricity during the [2007] 2008 period shall earn a credit equal to twenty per cent of the billed generation charges for usage from June 1, [2007] 2008, to August 31, [2007] 2008, inclusive. The calculation of reduction in electric energy usage shall be made pursuant to this section and the Department of Public Utility Control's decision in the proceeding required by subsection [(c)] (d) of this section. [Customers] Residential customers who have overdue balances with the electric distribution companies shall have any credits earned applied to such overdue balances.

(c) Electric distribution companies shall offer an incentive program to municipalities within their service area for resident participation in the program established in subsection (a) of this section. In each service area, (1) the municipality with the highest per capita reduction in energy use for the program period shall receive a credit equal to twenty-five per cent of its generation charges for such period; (2) the municipality with the second highest per capita reduction in energy use for the program period shall receive a credit equal to fifteen per cent of its generation charges for such period; and (3) the municipality with the third highest per capita reduction in energy use for the program period shall receive a credit equal to ten per cent of its generation charges for such period. The department shall require any municipality that wishes to participate in such program to enroll in such program not later than June 1, 2008, in such manner as prescribed by the department.

[(c)] (d) Within fifteen days of the effective date of this section, each electric distribution company shall file with the Department of Public Utility Control an outline of the [program] programs established in

47 [subsection] subsections (a) and (c) of this section. Said outline shall  
48 include, but not be limited to, how the company plans to implement  
49 said program and the projected costs of said program. Using the  
50 submitted outlines, the department shall conduct an uncontested  
51 proceeding to design the parameters of the [program] programs  
52 established in [subsection] subsections (a) and (c) of this section and to  
53 consider and implement reasonable means of marketing and  
54 promoting the program. The department shall include, but not be  
55 limited to, the following parameters necessary to encourage  
56 conservation, discourage inaccuracy in measurement and assure that  
57 credits are only provided to residential customers who have changed  
58 their usage by taking conservation and load management actions: (1)  
59 The comparison of energy usage shall be based on weather-normalized  
60 usage in [2007] 2008 compared to the comparable period in [2006] 2007  
61 for that particular address; (2) the program shall not be available to  
62 residential customers without usage in comparable months of [2006]  
63 2007; and (3) for residential customers who participate in other  
64 demand response programs, including, but not limited to, those  
65 sponsored by the regional independent system operator, benefits from  
66 the program established in subsection (a) of this section shall be pro-  
67 rated against any benefits from any other programs.

68 [(d)] (e) All costs incurred by an electric distribution company in  
69 connection with the program established in [subsection] subsections  
70 (a) and (c) of this section, including incentive credits on customers'  
71 bills, shall be recoverable through the systems benefits charge.

72 [(e)] (f) On or before [February 1, 2008] January 1, 2009, the  
73 department shall report to the joint standing committee of the General  
74 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to energy regarding  
75 the success of, and any recommendations for improvement of, the  
76 incentive program established pursuant to [subsection] subsections (a)  
77 and (c) of this section.

78 (g) Any residential customer of an electric distribution company as

79 of June 1, 2008, shall qualify for the program described in subsections  
80 (a) and (b) of this section. The department shall not require residential  
81 customers who wish to participate in such program to enroll in order  
82 to participate in such program.

83     Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) For the calendar year 2008, the  
84 Department of Public Utility Control shall designate a retail  
85 commodity supplier that shall offer a free nights program. The  
86 department shall make such designation on or before June 1, 2008. Said  
87 program shall be available to any residential customer who requests  
88 and receives a time-of-use rate and the applicable meter technology.  
89 Residential customers who participate in said program, which shall be  
90 in effect from June 1, 2008, to August 31, 2008, inclusive, shall not pay  
91 for electricity used between eight o'clock p.m. and six o'clock a.m.

92     (b) The Department of Public Utility Control shall conduct an  
93 uncontested proceeding to design the parameters of the program  
94 established pursuant to subsection (a) of this section and to consider  
95 and implement reasonable means of marketing and promoting the  
96 program.

97     (c) On or before January 1, 2009, the department shall report to the  
98 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance  
99 of matters relating to energy regarding the success of, and any  
100 recommendations for improvements of, the program established  
101 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

102     (d) Any costs associated with the program described in subsection  
103 (a) of this section shall be borne by those customers who elect to  
104 participate in such program. Ratepayers of electric distribution  
105 companies shall not bear any cost incurred by the department  
106 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

107     Sec. 3. (*Effective from passage*) On or before October 1, 2008, the  
108 Department of Public Utility control shall initiate a contested case  
109 proceeding to identify mechanisms to encourage residential customers

110 of electric distribution companies who receive time-of-use rates to shift  
111 any of their peak consumption to off-peaktime periods. The  
112 department shall report any findings and recommendations to the joint  
113 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
114 matters relating to energy, not later than January 1, 2009.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	PA 07-242, Sec. 119
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	New section